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Applicant: RUHR ET AL. Examiner: N. OGDEN JR.
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CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR 1.8:

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a one-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed December 4, 2003, said period of response being extended from March 4, 2004 to April 4, 2004 (Sunday).

Our check in the amount of \$110.00 is enclosed to cover the required extension fee for a large entity.

Respectfully submitted,

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